

The Great Accusation and Its Corrosive Effect

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Parliament of the World's Religions, Chicago, 1893

Deception lies at the heart of everything that the Enemy does.

We should give careful thought to what our Lord Jesus said in this regard. When he was describing to his disciples the tumultuous events that would take place in the End Time, he began with a stern warning, **“Take heed that ye be not deceived!” (Luke 21:8).**

Given that we now appear to be moving rapidly toward the hour that Christ foretold, we should expect to find, across the world as a whole, bountiful evidence of this spiritual deception. Bible interpreters relate the words of Jesus to his warning about the emergence of many false messiahs – which is certainly true – but they seldom explore the context and the circumstances in which this will occur.





Parliament of the World's Religions, 1893

The open promotion of false messiahs in the western world began with the Parliament of the World's Religions, which took place in Chicago in 1893. There were countless false messiahs before that date, but this was the first formal public proclamation in the bastions of Christendom that the totality of truth, the Word of God, could not be found in the Bible. The self-styled Parliament was organized by Charles Bonney, an American follower of the mystic and influential author Emanuel Swedenborg, and John Henry Barrows, a graduate of the apostate Union Theological Seminary.

About five thousand people attended to hear prominent representatives of the world's religions expound doctrines and beliefs which were utterly contrary to Biblical truth. Annie Besant was present, the official successor to Helena Blavatsky, founder of the Luciferian group known as the Theosophical Society. An address prepared by Mary Baker Eddy, founder of the cult of Christian Science, was read to the assembled multitude. Professor Max Muller also spoke at the conference. Muller was famous for his translation into English of the religious literature of India, such as the *Vedas* and the *Upanishads*, a monumental undertaking which ran to 50 volumes. However, the 'star' of the show was Swami Vivekananda, a yogi and mystic who had lectured extensively on the most esoteric aspects of Hinduism. He summed up the theme of the conference when he said, "...we accept all religions as true." The program, which ran for 17 days, also included a Zen Roshi and notable practitioners of Islam, Jainism and Buddhism. The only 'Christian' input, apparently, was from a French professor of church history, Gaston Bonet-Maury, who, given his ties to Unitarianism, did not accept that Jesus Christ was the Son of God.

The so-called God-Realized ones

Today apologists try to present this 'Parliament' as the first ever interfaith conference, but it was much more than that. It was a profane declaration that Jesus Christ was just a prophet, a man like any other, with a talent for preaching spiritual truths. This is generally how he is portrayed by the New Age movement, the Rosicrucians, the Theosophists, and the Freemasons. All of these groups profess to have teachers, living and dead, of high spiritual stature – akin to that of Jesus – whom they call Masters. These are the so-called God-Realized ones who have ascended far into the 'inner planes' and possess formidable supernatural power.

			
Vivekananda	Mary Baker Eddy	Annie Besant	Max Muller

These are the absurd lies that Satan has concocted to deceive mankind, to convince the masses that we all have within us the potential to become a god. All we need to do is expand our awareness, rise into a sublime state of cosmic consciousness, and undergo the great mystical transformation that awaits all who persevere with their spiritual disciplines.

The Parliament of 1893 was preparing the world for the great End Time deception. It announced for the first time in a public forum in the West that Christianity was merely another religion, and it set forth many paths to salvation, including doctrines and beliefs which denied the divinity of Christ. As 'Reverend' Barrows stated at some point during the proceedings, "The solemn charge which the Parliament preaches to all true believers is a return to the primitive unity of the world." By 'true believers' he meant the great assembly of pagans sitting before him.

This was the spirit of Antichrist, working deviously in the public domain to undermine Christianity and replace it with a One World Religion.

The watershed year - 1893

A hundred years were to pass before the second 'Parliament' was held in 1993. If asked to guess when the first one took place, most Christians today would probably give a date in the late 1960s. They would never have imagined that such an event was possible in 1893. It was a watershed moment on the road to worldwide apostasy. The senior Craft members in Chicago at the time were likely highly commended by their peers across America and Europe for organizing such a brazenly Masonic event.

In a sense, a second 'Parliament' – of sorts – took place in Assisi in Italy in 1986, organized by the Pope! It too was a watershed moment, a brazen public rejection by the Papacy of the sufficiency of the cross and the blood of Christ. (See our paper #26 for a more detailed description of that event.)



Pope John Paul II and representatives of the world's religions praying together at Assisi in Italy, October 1986.

The gross apostasy that we see today throughout 'Christendom' – a term long devoid of any real meaning – may be traced back to the Parliament of 1893 and the secret occult societies who planned it. It sketched out many of the lies that have been used ever since to 'deconstruct' the Word of God, to elevate the 'scriptures' of pagan mythology, and to develop a narrative for Jesus and his mission which matched the 'holymen' template found in other religions.

The whole of the 20th century was, from a religious perspective, an elaboration of this theme. Christian seminaries were taken over by teachers who were heavily grounded in these false ideas. Once these seeds were sown in the minds of seminarians, they were carried far and wide throughout the Christian community.

**“Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness,
the people in whose heart is my law;
fear ye not the reproach of men,
neither be ye afraid of their revilings.”**

- Isaiah 51:7

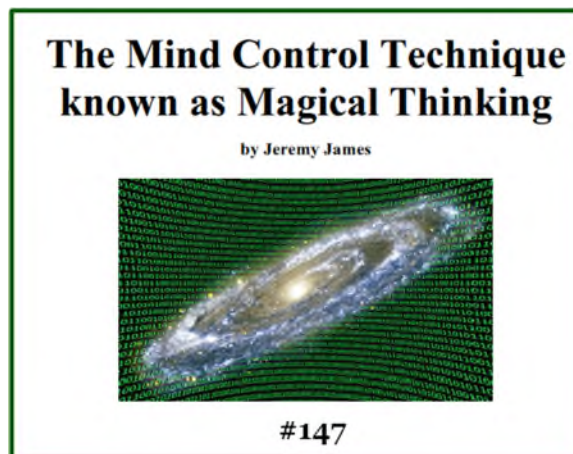
How was this blindness possible?

This was all part of a well-planned deception.

The general collapse of discernment arose entirely from a loss of faith in the literal truth of God’s Word, followed by a widespread failure to test all new teachings and doctrines against His Word. Much of this destruction was accomplished by the end of the 20th century, with millions of born-again Christians across the world now mired in doctrinal errors which have reduced their evangelical zeal to virtually zero.

How was this blindness possible? How can so many people have read God’s Word and not seen what it plainly says? The Enemy must have done something to bewitch the minds of so many.

In an earlier paper on magical thinking (#147), we identified one of his most successful mind-control techniques. However, that related to mankind as a whole and not just to born-again Christians. The blindness in the church was likely caused in part by the spread of magical thinking, but another factor was at play, one which most Bible-believing Christians have barely noticed, even though it has tied them in knots. This is the false conviction that true believers cannot possibly have ALL of the truth, while non-believers – many of whom are ‘beautiful, loving and kind’ – are left without any.

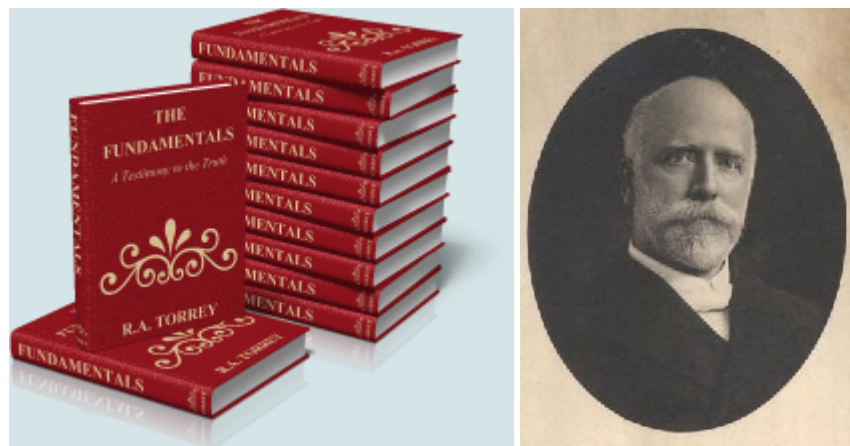


The birth of the Great Accusation

How can one group of people claim to be saved and at the same time consign everyone else to damnation? Christians are effectively saying that they have a monopoly on truth and that the religions of the world are entirely false and have no spiritual value. By adopting this elitist attitude, Christians are actually rejecting the message of charity and forgiveness which Jesus taught. They are taking his words and interpreting them in a narrow, sectarian way, building walls of division within society and creating, in effect, two classes of humanity, the saved and the damned.

This is the Great Accusation. It was virtually unknown in the 19th century and only gathered traction as the 20th century progressed. The First Parliament of Religions in 1893 would seem to mark the moment when this dangerous idea came to prominence. Thereafter intellectuals and theologians across Europe and America began to point with increasing frequency – and professed concern – to the attitude that Christianity had traditionally taken toward other religions.

To their great credit, some born-again Christian leaders recognized that the church was being subjected to a very sinister attack and organized a robust defense of Biblical truth. Led by R.A. Torrey and others, they compiled a thoroughly Scriptural statement of the basic doctrines of Christianity which ran to 12 volumes. Published between 1910 and 1915, it consisted of 90 essays dealing with ***The Fundamentals***, which they described as ***A Testimony to the Truth***. The project itself was financed by two Dispensationalist brothers, Lyman and Milton Stewart.



It was designed to defend the church against the liberalism that was rapidly infiltrating the seminaries and theological colleges at that time. They wanted to show that the Bible gave Truth to mankind in its entirety, that it was the all-sufficient, inerrant, and inspired Word of God to man unto salvation. By saying this they were rejecting utterly, on the basis of Scripture alone, any suggestion that even a morsel of truth had been given by God to any other religion.

This was a marvellous response to the Great Accusation. The volumes were shipped to pastors and teaching institutions all across America. A great many Christians took its message to heart and stood firmly with God's Word. Alas, a large proportion vacillated and failed entirely to grasp a central message of ***The Fundamentals***, namely, that the church must remain separate from the world until Christ returns.

The continuing, corrosive effect of the Great Accusation

The Great Accusation continues to weigh heavily on the minds and hearts of many believers today. They love the Lord and live in the joy of their salvation, but they want to remain invisible, to walk through the world without ever having to say, "I'm a born-again, Bible-believing Christian! Christ is the way, the truth and the life! All who reject the free gift of salvation – by grace through faith in the blood of Christ – are destined to dwell in hell for eternity."

The ten words of Scripture which they are least likely to understand and accept are:

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation...?" (Hebrews 2:3)

The Great Accusation causes true believers to live under a veil of fear, a veil so light and delicate that they hardly notice it. They would be shocked if anyone were to suggest that they are ashamed of Christ, but how else can we explain their condition?

The Enemy whispers in their ear, "The preaching of the cross is offensive. Besides, anyone who needs to hear it has heard it already." -

"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18)

But if we cannot proclaim the Gospel in **"the power of God"**, then something is very wrong.

Behind all of this lies the Great Accusation: *Why should your truth be the only one that matters? What gives you the right to imply that the person you are addressing is lost and in need of salvation?*



This explains why Calvinism has been making a comeback in the church in recent years. Why bother to witness to those who are already pre-selected by God unto salvation? And why waste time with those who are not?

Oh, how convenient it all is! Calvinism provides a refuge from the daunting hum of the Great Accusation, but at a terrible cost.


A stark contrast

The dark charge of intolerance has wrought havoc in Ireland in recent years. A Bible-believing church in our town, which had been established over a hundred years ago, convened for Sunday service on 23 May 2015 and never once referred to the appalling calamity of the day before, when the people of Ireland voted to abolish Christian marriage. A few years later the same church advised its members to vote in the national Abortion Referendum “according to [their] conscience”. Seemingly their hearts would tell them what God wanted. Never once did the Biblical teaching on the shedding of innocent blood enter into consideration! -

“This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the imagination of their heart...” (Jeremiah 13:10)

Most of the ‘Christian’ churches across Ireland behaved in much the same way on both occasions.

The Great Accusation, which was barely discernible 150 years ago, is now squeezing the throats of Christians across Europe and America. Look, for example, at the Drag Queen attack on our children via their so-called ‘story hour’. How many Christian pastors are speaking out against this wickedness? Sadly, very few.

 A photograph showing a man, identified as Pastor Hodges, speaking at a wooden podium. He is wearing a dark suit and glasses. Behind him, a large group of people, presumably his congregation, are standing on the steps of a building. The building is light-colored with a red-tiled roof and has "CHULA VISTA CITY HALL" and "BLDG A" inscribed on its facade. The scene is outdoors on a sunny day.	<p>Pastor Hodges making a public statement outside Chula Vista City Hall on September 4th, 2019. Many of his congregation turned up to support him.</p>
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We would like to highlight a church that rejects the Great Accusation, a church that refuses to remain silent – the Pentecostal Church in Chula Vista, California. The congregation of that church, under the leadership of their pastors, went to city hall in Chula Vista and politely and respectfully asked the city council to withdraw its approval of a planned Drag Queen ‘story hour’ until the residents of Chula Vista had been properly consulted. The church leaders also made it quite clear that they did not approve of this event.

A few days later their church was vandalized by servants of the Enemy.



Part of the graffiti sprayed on South Bay Pentecostal Church in Chula Vista on September 7th, 2019.



**Church pastor Amado Huizar outside the church.
The graffiti have been covered up.**

CONCLUSION

When the prophet Samuel came to speak with King Saul after the Israelite raid on the Amalekites, he referred to the noise of the sheep outside – **“What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears...?” (1 Samuel 15:14)**. These were part of the booty that Saul had retained after a decisive victory in which everything belonging to the enemy was supposed to be destroyed. But Saul had failed to follow through and do as the LORD had commanded. Due to this stunning act of disobedience, Saul was rejected by God. What is more, His intense displeasure at what Saul had done was demonstrated by Samuel, who called for Agag, the captive king, to be brought into his presence. He then took a knife and **“hewed Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.” (1 Samuel 15:33)**

Oh, if only Christians today would take this episode to heart! If only they knew how serious the LORD is when He asks us, as believers, to stand over His Word. Generally speaking, He does not ask us to risk life and limb or require that we fall like martyrs before the sword of the enemy. He only asks that we speak out against the wickedness that is rampant in towns and cities across America.

These Drag Queen events are really a test from God. We know they are Satanic – see the graffiti in the photo above – and we know they are immensely offensive to God and harmful to our children. And it would take only a modest effort to open our mouths outside city hall and say, “This is wrong!”

Have the churches across America bothered to do this? Look around you and listen – silence. Even the bleating of the Amalekite sheep was louder than most ‘Christian’ churches today.

Having resoundingly failed the simplest of all possible tests, what hope is there for the church in America today? The judgment, when it comes, will be severe.

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